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Georgia

GA. STATE REGISTERED NURSES IN FINE CONFAB AT COLUMBUS

The meeting of the Georgia State Association of Graduate Registered Nurses held in Columbus, Ga., at the St. James A. M. E. Church, 1002 Sixth Ave., July 29 - 31 was the most largely attended and successful gatherings in the history of the association.

On Wednesday evening, July 29, at 8:30 o'clock, the public meeting was presided over by Dr. M. L. Taylor and Dr. W. T. Ayers, who acted in the former's stead due to Dr. Taylor's illness. Music was rendered by the Junior Choir of St. James Church. The address of welcome on behalf of the city was delivered by Attorney B. C. Turner. Dr. T. H. Brewer, delivered an address of welcome in behalf of dentists and pharmacists. Dr. W. H. Spencer, Jr., rendered a violin selection.

Mrs. Sara Allen extended welcome on behalf of the graduate nurses of Columbus; Mrs. Lillie Buckner, of Augusta, responded to the welcome addresses. Following her address, Mrs. E. J. Winston gave an interesting talk on the "Value of A Graduate Nurse To A Community." Introduction of visitors was made by Miss Annie Bell Harris, honor graduate of Hubbard Hospital, Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tennessee.

The opening session, Thursday morning, July 30, was presided over by the president, Mrs. Ludie Andrews. Dr. W. T. Ayers gave an interesting talk on the subject: — "Typhoid Fever—It's Symptoms and Modern Nursing Care." Miss Verna Bryant, of Bainbridge, talked on "Nursing Ethics," which was followed by an interesting round table discussion.

The Metropolitan Nurses of Atlanta demonstrated a first visit to a pre-natal case. Dr. J. W. Jordan spoke on "Venereal Disease — Its Symptoms and Modern Nursing Care.

The nurses are grateful to Rev. J. H. Edge and members for the use of St. James church; the graduate nurses social club, of Columbus, headed by Mesdames Sara Allen, president; Dagmar V. Ferrell, secretary; Misses Mable Preston, treasurer; Lyra Hood, chaplain, Annie B. Harris, Ethel J. Lawton, Pearl Howell, Erlynn Oglen, Effie Wooley, and Isabella Johnson.

honorary member, for the work they did in making preparation for the convention; to Dr. Taylor for the cooling refreshing drinks served during the session; and the nurses of the Fifth District for the beautiful flowers.

The idea of a special effort to build up the treasury, and to help humanity was favorably discussed. Pledges to the amount of $250.00 were made to the organization.

The president, Mrs. Andrews, received splendid cooperation from the nurses which made for the success of the meeting. Mrs. Rosa Palmer, supervisor of Harris Memorial Hospital, Atlanta, was very helpful during the meet. Mrs. Laura Coles acted in the capacity of Registrar.

The sessions ended Friday morning, July 31. The place of the meeting next year will be decided later. The present officers are:

Mrs. Ludie Andrews, President; Miss Verna Bryant, Vice-President; Miss Willie Mae Daniels, Recording secretary; Miss Leona C. Edwards, Corresponding secretary; Miss Julia Lott, Treasurer.

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Alabama

Birmingham, Ala. News
May 19, 1936

NURSE IS APPOINTED

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National Association Of Colored Graduate Nurses Holds Its 29th Annual Convention In New York

The twenty-ninth annual convention of the National Association of Colored Nurses was marked in a special way by the initial awarding of the Mary Mahoney Medal to Mrs. Adah B. Thoms of this city. The medal is a memorial to Miss Mahoney, who founded the Association with a nucleus of twenty-eight members. Miss Mahoney was the first Negro graduate nurse, from the Nurses Training School of the New England Hospital for Women and Children in 1879. The award was made particularly as an appreciation of the book "Pathfinders" written by Mrs. Thoms in which she outlines the history of the Negro nurse from the time of Miss Mary Mahoney until the present day.

The ceremony of awarding the medal took place during the morning session of the last day of the convention, Friday, with Dr. Louis T. Wright, police surgeon and member of the Medical Board of Harlem Hospital, making the award. During his introduction of Mrs. Thoms, Dr. Wright recalled instances from the eighteen years of service she gave as Assistant Superintendent of the Nurses' Training School at Lincoln Hospital. For the years of service and the inspiration she gave the young student nurses and for her community work since her retirement from active service Dr. Wright said of her "She is an institution and a symbol." Indeed when the time came for Mrs. Thoms to respond to the speech she was completely overcome. For the several minutes that the assemblage waited for her to regain her accustomed composure the delegates introduced themselves and told a little about their present work. Dr. Wright congratulated the organization on their stand for collective and individual dignity. As a fitting tribute the hymn written by Mrs. Thoms for the association was sung by the assemblage.

The afternoon session was devoted to the selection of officers for the following year. Mrs. G. Estelle Massey Riddle the youthful and able presiding officer from Akron, Ohio, was re-elected president; Miss Margaret Creth, New York, first vice-president; Mrs. Eula Chrismon, St. Louis, second vice-president; Mrs. Eola L. Taylor of New Orleans, La., recording secretary; Mrs. Eliza Pinners, Jackson, Miss., financial secretary; and Miss Petra Pinn of New York, is the treasurer. Mrs. Mabel K. Staupers of this city, who for the most part directed the activities and reception of the convention members during their stay in New York, was re-elected executive secretary of the organization. Next year the convention will be held in St. Louis, Mo.

The daylight meetings of the convention on Thursday were given over to the presentation and discussion of new facts and trends discovered or proven in the past year in the treatment, cure and prevention of tuberculosis. Then in the afternoon field trips were arranged for the various visiting groups to Sea View Hospital, in Staten Island, headquarters for the treatment of the disease in New York City. Mostly out of towners took advantage of the field trip.

This convention gave a conspicuous place to meetings held for undergraduate work. Sessions held under the auspices of the local Training Schools, Harlem Hospital and Lincoln Hospital, gave inspiration to the student nurses and a better view of the entire scope of work in their chosen field.

The social events included garden parties, luncheons, and a dinner dance held at Smalls Paradise, 135th street at Seventh avenue on Thursday evening arranged by the local chapter and under the direction of Mrs. Mabel K. Staupers. Several hundred nurses and their friends attended the event. Miss Zenobia Mason, president of the Freedmen's Nurses Club of New York City, presided.

The last reception was held on Friday afternon and evening at the Club Danceland.

NURSES NAT'L. MEETING HELD IN NEW YORK

Texas Represented By Mrs. Le Fall and Miss Weston

NEW YORK—The Twenty Ninth annual convention of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses met in New York City August 18-21 at the Young Women Christian Association. Meetings were held morning and afternoon with social events taking up the evening hours. The student division was held at the Lincoln School of Nursing.

The institutes were devoted to lectures, discussions and field trips studying Maternal Care and Tuberculosis. The delegates were devided into nine groups for visiting the special arranged clinics. The entire body went to Sea View Hospital for Tuberculosis patients. Visiting speakers were D. Bousfield, Chicago, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Florida Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Washington.

The special social features of the convention started with a welcome reception sponsored by the Freedmen's Nurses Club of New York City Prince Hall Square Club Dance, Lincoln Hospital Alumni Association, Garden Party, Local Nurses Association sponsored a Dinner Meeting and Cabaret party, Harlem Alumni Association sponsored the closing party.

There were 209 members present. Ten of the twenty six cartered members were present. Certificates were given to thirty-one new members.

Officers elected for the coming year: Mrs. G. Estella Massey, Akron, Ohio, president; Miss Mary Creth, New York City, 1st vice-president, Miss Eunice Christian, St. Louis, Mo. 2nd vice-president; Mrs. E. Lyons Taylor, New Orleans, La., recording secretary; Miss Eliza F. Pillors, Jackson, Mississippi, financial secretary; Mrs. Petra Penn, New York City, treasurer.

Texas was represented by Mrs. A. B. Lefall and Miss Mae Weston, all of Fort Worth.

Nation's Nurses Hold Important Four-Day Meet

Health of Public Is Discussed at 29th Annual Session

NEW YORK CITY—(ANP)—Under the leadership of its president, Mrs. G. Estelle Masey Ridle, registered nurse of Akron, Ohio, the 29th annual convention of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses is under way here the opening session being held Tuesday at convention headquarters in the YWCA building, 179 W. 137th Street. The sessions will conclude on Friday with final reports of the committees and election of officers for the ensuing year.

Concerning themselves primarily with the general health of the public and with their professional duties as the "right arm" of the medical and surgical professions, these skilled nurses have a program of scheduled events of far reaching importance for their four-day meeting.

An Institute on Maternal Care was held on opening day with Margaret H. Crethm, R.N., New York City, presiding. Subjects discussed were: Midwifery In Alabama by Eunice Rivers, Tuskegee, Ala.; The Nurses Part in the Maternal Program by Anita Jones, New York City and Congenital Syphilis by Dr. T. H. Amos of New York's Harlem Hospital.

A demonstration of the Essentials of Pre-Natal Care and allied subjects was given by Registered Nurses Ann Doyle, Maude C. Kelly and Miss Bookmiller and at Harlem Health Center a Mothers' Club and Pre-natal class was conducted jointly by Annie Edness, Visiting Nurse and Jane R. Wiliams of the Department of Health.

Thursday was the scheduled date for the Institute on Tuberculosis with Mrs. Mable K. Staupers presiding and with many discussions and demonstrations given, showing the newer trends in the treatment and control of the dreaded disease.

Events planned by the Social Committe for the delegates and their friends included a garden party, sponsored by Lincoln Alumni Association; dinner meeting and cabaret party by the Local Nurses Association and presentation of the Mary Mahoney Award and Friday, the convention dance, sponsored by Harlem Hospital Alumni Association at Coney Island.

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National Association of Graduate Nurses.

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NursingUnderNew Deal Is Topic for Nurses' Councils

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Freedmen's Selected

Members of the North Atlantic Conference, comprising Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, will assemble at Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D.C., February 1. Mrs. Marion Hernandez, New York, is the president.

Implications of the public health nursing program under the National Security Act, vocational opportunities in nursing, the responsibility of the staff and student to the nursing school, and the responsibility of the school to its personnel will be the topics discussed in each region. Mrs. Estelle M. Riddle, Akron, Ohio, national president, will be present at each of the conferences.

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Nurses Must Correct Own Ills, Southern Group Told

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"This does not preclude our membership and interest in mixed national organizations," she explained, "but our effective functioning in the larger group will, to a marked degree, depend upon our solution of those problems."

Patterson Talks

Dr. Frederick D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee Institute, delivered the principal address, urging a greater appreciation for the conditions of one's community. "Service to humanity," he said, "must be put above material wealth."

Nurses from five Southern States were in attendance, in addition to Mrs. Riddle and Mrs. Marie K. Staupers of New York, executive secretary of the national body. Others taking an active part in the conference included:

Dr. E. H. Dibble, medical director Tuskegee Institute; Miss Hilda M. Lyttle Hubbard Hospital, Nashville; Mrs. A. A. Campfield, president, Tuskegee Local Nurses' Association; and Mrs. E. F. Pillars, president of the Southern conference.

Among numerous social events was a dance in Logan Hall, at which Dr. and Mrs. Patterson and members of the Institute faculty were hosts.

125 Nurses At Regional Conf. Held In Wash.

To Meet In Richmond Next Year; Mrs. Hernandez Reelected

By G. JAMES FLEMING

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — Nurses were depicted as "social agents of the highest character," who must be "observant, discriminating and careful," and who "must know human beings and sometimes serve as a corrective to the physician,' at the regional conference of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses held at Freedmen's Hospital, and at the Howard University Medical School.

About 125 registered nurses from New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia cities and the District of Columbia were present. Mrs. Mabian Hernandez, supervisor of the Harlem Division, Henry Street Settlement, and re-elected regional president, presided. Richmond was chosen for next year's meeting.

Besides the papers on the professional side of the nurse's life, there were banquet talks by such figures as Dean E. P. Davis of the College of Liberal Arts, Howard University, who told of the place of the liberal arts college in nursing education; Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, of the United States Public Health Service, who painted a picture of the social security that is in the offing; Miss Clara Beverley, who read a paper on vocational opportunities opened to nurses outside regular nursing, and Miss Margaret Creth supervisor of Henry Street Settlement, who pointed out the part hobbies should play in the leisure moments of nurses.

Other brief talks were made by Miss Mary McNeil, of the school system; Dr. T. E. Jones, assistant chief surgeon of Freedmen's Hospital, and Dean Numa P. G. Adams of the Howard University Medical School.

Eulogizing the nurses, Dean Davis said they are "medical scientists, personal guides and friends, and household intimates, and I do not know of any other profession which combines these three attributes.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

He added that the very nature of the nurses work makes it necessary for her to have the broadest kind of scientific training and also the most liberal kind of cultural education. As he discoursed further, Dr. Davis said he hopes the day will come when nursing, dentistry, and medicine, will be regarded "as public utilities, just like the public schools.'

In most eloquent manner, Dr. Brown expounded the gospel of social security, a security, which he admitted, "will not come overnight, and which will not come unless the masses of the people make a demand for it."

"We are learning," he continued, "that there is something wrong when millions are starving and without proper medical care in a country rich as ours. Social security must be the answer to this problem, and it will come with insistence and persistence."

He declared that social security legislation "is in the hopper, tied up being put off," but he warned:

"We are not going to let any kind of isms take us back to the flesh pots of Egypt. We are going forward, and our big job is to make the program for social security more articulate."

LIBERAL EDUCATION

Dr. Adams, after words of general greeting, said that he was especially interested in the increased liberal education of nurses, despite the fact that many doctors are afraid of nurses who're too well educated.

"When doctors get so that they are afraid of nurses getting too much education it is because those doctors 'havent' learned all they should themselves," Dr. Adams asserted.

Miss Beverley, who is of Freedmen's staff, listed medical photography, librarianship in medical schools, hospitals and nursing schools; illustrators of medical books; secretaries of medical organizations and institutions, and stewardesses on airships as some of the enterprises that trained nurses who have other abilities may also enter.

Besides Mrs. Hernandez, the other regional officers are: Miss Susan Coulbourne, educational director, Freedmen's Nurses Training School, vice-president; Miss Dorothy Ferguson Philadelphia, corersponding secretary; Miss Clara Beverley, Washington, recording secretary; Miss Edna Malone New York, treasurer.

Discussing nursing opportunities were Mrs. Betty J. Phillips, Provident Hospital, Baltimore; Mrs. Eva Gomez Howard University; Miss Baylos Crocker, Washington; Mrs. Ella Fleming, Freedmen's Hospital; Miss Elizabeth Howland, Freedmen's; Miss Charlotte K. May, superintendent of nurses Freedmens; Mrs. Aileen Ewell, Washington; Mrs. Gladys Hilton, New York; Mrs. Curtis Horne, Freedmen's, and Miss Mary E. Smith, Provident, Baltimore.

Others appearing on the program and not mentioned before, are: Mrs. M. G. Riddle, Washington, president of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses; Dr. W. H. Zeigler, white, regional consultant, U. S. Public Health Service; Miss Helen Zeigler, white, superintendent of nurses, St. Phillip's Hospital, Richmond; Miss E. Stewart, Washington, and Mrs. Mable K. Staupers, New York City, executive secretary, N. A. C. G. N.

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National Organiation for Public Health Nurses

NURSES' PRESIDENT

Miss Amelia Grant of New York was re-elected to the presidency of the National Organization for Public Health Nursing without opposition. Nurses from all over the United States met in Los Angeles. Need of the "Old Time Mother" type of nurse was discussed.

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New York

BUFFALO CITY HOSPITAL
ADMITS COLORED NURSE

Buffalo, N.Y., Oct. 9.-Miss Eva Bateman has been admitted to the nurse training school of the Buffalo city hospital here after passing all the examinations required. She is the first colored girl ever to be admitted for nurse training at the city hospital.

Press Service of the N.A.A.C.P. 10-9-36

The Buffalo branch of the N.A.A.C.P. assisted by other organizations, churches, and individuals has been working for several years to have colored applicants admitted to the nurse training school. Not very many colored girls have applied, but this year two young women applied. One failed to pass the examination in one of the required studies but the other passed all tests.

A committee from the N.A.A.C.P. which included Mrs. William C. Davies, executive secretary of the Y.W.C.A., visited Dr. Goodale, superintendent of the hospital where it was permitted to read the following resolution adopted by the last meeting of the hospital board:

"Resolved that the Training School of the Buffalo City Hospital be made available to all suitable applicants at least 18 years of age and equipped with the necessary educational background, who in the opinion of the superintendent are desirable applicants. Women's general fitness, educational background, adaptability, character, reputation, personality, physique and health shall be the chief criteria for admission to the Nurse's Training School of the Buffalo City Hospital and that race, color and creed of applicants are minor considerations. Carried."

Buffalo Hospital Drops Bar on Student Nurses

10-16-36

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The hospital board admitted Miss Bateman after passing a resolution which said that the school should be open to all applicants with the necessary educational background and that "race, color and creed of applicants are minor considerations."

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North Carolina

Raleigh, N. C. Observer
May 30, 1936

FOUR NEGRO NURSES FINISH AT SANATORIUM

Sanatorium, May 29. — Negro nurses who have had special training in the care of tuberculosis patients are in a position to be of great help to their race and to society generally, William R. Johnson, of the North Carolina Department of Public Welfare, told the four members of the graduating class of the Negro Division of the North Carolina Sanatorium Training School for Nurses in the graduation exercises on Wednesday evening.

The hospital pins were presented to the graduates by Dr. A. L. Ormond, physician in charge of the Negro Division, in a message in which they were urged to go into their future work in a spirit of helpfulness, thinking less of financial rewards than of a chance to help the sick to recover their health.

The members of the graduating class were Phloy Frierson, of Raeford; Nola Harrington, of Cameron; Mary Louise McNeill, of Southern Pines, and Polly Scott, of Wilmington.

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Pan- Missouri Nurses Association.

M. PRINCESS ALEXANDER IS NURSES' HEAD

National President Present At Three-Day Session Here

Miss M. Princess Alexander, superintendent of nurses at the Wheatley-Provident hospital, was elected president of the Pan-Missouri Nurses Association which ended its thirteenth annual session here Thursday, May 14, at the Ebenezer A. M. E. Parish house.

Other officers elected are: Mrs. Eva J. Thomas, Kansas City, first vice president; Miss Bessie Lee, Kansas City, second vice president; Miss Ursula Johnson, St. Louis, recording secretary; Miss Georgia Bradley, St. Louis, corresponding secretary; Miss Bessie Evans, Kansas City, treasurer.

Miss Alexander, president of the Kansas City Nurses association, succeeds Mrs. Clyde Clark Moore of Springfield, Mo., retiring president of the state association.

Outstanding visitors at the nurses' association meeting were Mrs. Estelle Massey Riddle of Akron, Ohio, president of the National Colored Graduate Nurses Association and former public health nurse at Lincoln high school; Miss Laura Layher, secretary of the Missouri state board of nurses examiners; Miss Mable Montgomery, Jefferson City, field representative and inspector of schools of nursing in Missouri. Mrs. Riddle was nurse at Lincoln high from 1926 to 1929.

Education Important

In her address on "Staff Education and Intergration of All Phases of Nursing," Mrs. Riddle emphasized the importance of increased education for nurses.

An eye infection limited the full participation of Mrs. Riddle in the sessions. While here she was a patient at the Wheatley-Provident hospital, leaving her bed there each day to attend the meetings.

Other speakers during the sessions were Miss Winifred Scholer, assistant superintendent of the Provident association who spoke on "The President's Federal Relief Program;" Miss Georgia Boswell, hygienist at Lincoln high school who spoke on "The Nurse in Parent Education:" Miss Mable Northcross, supervisor of the operation room at City hospital No. 2 in St. Louis who spoke on "The Quality of Nursing Service as Affected by Hospital Equipment;" Miss Grace Evans, education director of the Visiting Nurses Association, "Newer Trends in Public Health Nursing;" Miss Mable Montgomery, inspector and field representative for schools of nursing in Missouri, "New Changes Made in Curriculum by League of Nursing Education;" Miss Lyda McAvoy, St. Margaret's hospital, Kansas City, Kas., "Contagious Diseases."

Rev. Holmes Speaks

The Rev. D. A. Holmes, pastor of the Paseo Baptist church, was the principal speaker at the dinner meeting Tuesday, May 12, on "The Correlation of Nursing and Christainity."

Dr. J. E. Perry was the guest of the association at the noon luncheon on Thursday, May 14.

The meeting closed Thursday, May 14, with an outing at Penrod, given by the General hosital No. 2 alumni.

Out-of-twon nurses who attended the sessions were: Alberta Spignor, Leaster Brown, Mary Martin, Lillian Russell, Mable Northcross, Georgia Bradley, Ursala Johnson, Ruby Langston and Ophelia Clark, all of St. Louis; Clyde Clark Moore of Springfield, Mo.; Reah Roper of Sedalia, Bessie Banks of Chillicothe, Mrs. Eva Waters Simpson, retiring state treasurer of Gailsburg, Ill.

Officers of the local nurses association are Miss Alexander, president; Miss Bessie L. Evans, vice president; Mrs. Gene Boone, recording secretary; Mrs. Archie R. Smith, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Eva J. Thomas, treasurer and Mrs. Sarah J. Smyth, parliamentarian.

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Public Health Nursing Course Is Announced

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Graduates Are Eligible To Saint Phillip's In Richmond

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RICHMOND — A postgraduate year's course in public health nursing, the first offered in the south, has been added in the Saint Phillip school of nursing for Negro women, it was announced this week by Dr. W. Sanger, president of the Medical College of Virginia, which maintains the hospital.

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Twenty-seven students representing twelve different states and the District of Columbia were enrolled at the opening of the new course on March 16. Approved by the U. S. Public Health Service, the course is open to students from eighteen cooperating states, under provisions of the Social Security Act. Such students are subsidized by their home states, both their school and living expenses being paid, with the understanding that they will return to their respective states for subsequent service.

Students who are not subsidized by the cooperating states will also be received for the new course in the future. It is expected that a number of such students will matriculate when the first semester is repeated with the opening of the fall session on September 14, 1936.

The first semester of the course is devoted chiefly to theory, the second semester to field work. Ample staff, library facilities and practical field opportunities are assured. Those completing the full course will be given the usual certificate in public health nursing.

Those seeking admission as regular students are required to be high school graduates, and to be graduates of a recognized undergraduate school of nursing. A limited number of special students will be admitted who do not meet these requirements.